VOLUNTEEERS NEEDED

The Town Environmental Design and Protection Committee Needs More Members

Why would you want to join?

☐ Because through our varied and interesting work we really can help retain the rural character of the town and protect its resources



What does the committee do?

Once a month the committee reviews the plans of new houses, remodels and new landscaping and we visit each site. Our duties include checking:

the visual impact of the building
erosion potential
drainage patterns
impact of fences on wildlife
impact of lighting on neighbors
impact of plantings on sight lines

Additionally, for each site we produce a report for the planning department.

Plans that satisfy the entire Town planning ordinances and engineering criteria pass through a procedure known as Fast Track Meetings, which are held once a week. At these meetings applicants, members of the Planning Department, a member of the Environmental Design & Protection Committee, and any interested citizens or neighbors go over the plans once more and discuss any further issues.

How often does the committee meet and how much time does each duty take?

An evening meeting is held once a month to schedule field trip dates, to assign individual committee members to the weekly Site Development and Fast Track meetings and to discuss any issues, which have arisen during the month. This evening meeting takes about $1-1\frac{1}{2}$ hours.

The monthly field trip takes three to four hours and the weekly (Tuesday) Site Development and Fast Track meeting takes $1-1\frac{1}{2}$ hours.

We invite you to volunteer for the Environmental Design and Protection Committee: seven hours of your time per month, a sturdy pair of shoes, and pragmatic common sense are the requirements for this very satisfying work.

Please call co-chairs Pat Ley 650-941-1674 or Robin Robison 650-917-0881 for more information or complete the application on the reverse side and Fax to Town Hall at 650-941-3160 or mail it to Town Hall, 26379 Fremont Road, Los Altos Hills, CA 94022.